



# Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

## April 5, 2020

God greatly exalted [Christ] and bestowed on him the name which is above every name.  
— *Philippians 2:9*

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Isaiah 50:4-7

**Psalm** — Psalm 22

**Second Reading** — Philippians 2:6-11

**Gospel** — Matthew 26:14 — 27:66



John/Teresa/Mark Bradshaw, James/Marva Brown, Lucrecia Gibson, Janie Keary, John Laughlin, Helen Machost, Nettles/Pollard Families, Doug Simmons, Pam Smith, Brenda Williams, Alexander Young **4/5**; Roger/Vickie Venable and Family, Rodney Hipp, David Alcorn, William Gipson, Gabriel Rigby, Gwen Roberson,

Terrance Ruhland, Barbe Trudeau **3/29**; Jodie Lencock, Bill Singletary, Tommy/Traci Avalon, Tom/Angela/Seth Brittain, Theresa Cannon, Frank/Linda Develle, Daniel Dillon, James Doddridge, Mike/Cathy/Jared/Michael Eaves, Janis Hamblin, Lindsay Harwood, Steve Musil, Ursin Oubre Jr, Jon/Christin Quinn Family, Kenny Skellie **3/22**; The Bradshaw Family, The Pike Family, Rita Reed, Betsy Carraway, Eva Jean Davis, Eugene Humphery, James Lee, Jr., Charity Long, Glynn Long, Joseph Perlick, Irene Rangel, Bill Rush, Lillian Stachura, Epigmenia Tartinez, Vince/Sissy/Codi Warren, Wendy Williams **3/15**; **Homebound/Nursing Homes:** Rosemary Anderson, Adelaida Dethloff, Sandra Elliott, Kenny Evans, Abron Haymond, Peggy Huffman, Aurora Ramirez, Kate Rutherford, Anna Starr, Tom/Brenda Steen, Sue Trebotich; **Priests/Religious:** Brian Carroll, Dan Gallagher, Sam Messina, Lenin Vargas, Retired Bishop Joseph Latino. *Persons wanting to be added to the Prayer List need to contact the parish office – Names will appear for one month.*



**Prayers for Safety** for all service men and women at home and abroad, who give of their lives daily in order that we may enjoy our freedom: Preston Blocker, David Brooks,

William Aaron Burks, Michael P. Collins, Nathan Darnell, Ty Develle, Lee Greco, Erling Gresham, Tanner Hutchins, Steven J. Jackson, Michael Jessie, Kimberly Johnson, Derek Lieding, Anna/Malcolm Lowe, Michael Machost Jr., Steven P. Meadows, Blake Nations, Nick Pendleton, Brooks Stevens, Nathan Waltman and Austin White. You may place a picture of the individual on our military bulletin board located in the parish hall.

### Sacrificial Giving this past week:

<b>Budget Needed Weekly</b>	<b>\$6,000.00</b>
<b>Regular Tithe</b>	<b>\$2,952.00</b>
“New Life” Capital Campaign	\$1,052.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$50.00
Black & Indian Missions	\$10.00

**Thank you for your generosity!**

**DO TO PUBLIC SAFETY MEASURES, WE ASK THAT YOU MAIL YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO:**

**ST. THERESE CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
P. O. Box 8642  
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*Thank you for your assistance.*

## April Month of: Eucharist



### DAILY READINGS:

**Saturday, April 4** – St. Isidore; First Saturday  
Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56

**Sunday, April 5 – Palm Sunday**  
Mt 21:1-11 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]

**Monday, April 6 – Monday of Holy Week**  
Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11

**Tuesday, April 7 – Tuesday of Holy Week**  
Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

**Wednesday, April 8 – Wednesday of Holy Week**  
Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25

**Holy Thursday, April 9 –**  
**Lent ends at sundown. The Paschal Triduum of the Death, Burial, and Resurrection of the Lord – Evening**

**Mass of the Lord’s Supper; Passover begins**  
Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

**Good Friday, April 10 – Parish Office Closed**  
**Friday of the Passion of The Lord;**  
**Day of obligatory fast and abstinence**

Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42

**Holy Saturday, April 11 – The Paschal Sabbath;**  
**Night watch of the Resurrection of the Lord**

a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;

b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11;

c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;

d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;

e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;

f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;

g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19;

h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mt 28:1-10

**Sunday, April 12 – Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

**Easter Monday, April 13 – Parish Office Closed**

## Question of the Week:

How can I rely on God during my trials and hardships? How will this help?

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### Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

We hold palm branches today (*or another greenery from home*), recalling Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, the holy city. It is a bittersweet remembrance because we know that no sooner had he celebrate the Passover meal with his disciples that he was arrested, tried, convicted, and put to death. But Jerusalem is more than the site of his crucifixion. It is also the site of his resurrection. Through his sacrifice we all hope to one day reach the eternal Jerusalem.

### Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

We've probably heard the narrative dozens of times: Jesus enters Jerusalem to cries of "Hosanna," but just a few days later the shouts he hears from the crowd are "Let him be crucified!" As we listen today to Isaiah's prophecy, Paul's testimony, and Matthew's account of the Passion, let our exclamations echo those who came to believe almost two thousand years ago: "Truly, this was the Son of God!"

### April Prayer Intentions of Our Holy Father, Pope Francis

**Universal Evangelization: Freedom from Addiction** - We pray that those suffering from addiction may be helped and accompanied.

**St. Therese Parishioners Rosary Intention:**  
**Vaccine and Cure for the Coronavirus-19  
and Peace in the World!**



Please pray for the repose of the soul:

† *Bernie Trebotich*

May he rest in peace, and may his family find comfort and consolation in the Lord.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord;  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

*May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace!*

## FIVE SIMPLE WAYS TO CELEBRATE HOLY WEEK AT HOME

Create a simple prayer space in your home, and gather there to pray during the week.

### **Palm Sunday:**

At your regular Mass time, read the first Palm Sunday Gospel (Mt 21:1-11) and meditate on or discuss what Jesus might be thinking as he enters Jerusalem for the last time.

### **Holy Thursday:**

Bake bread for sharing at dinner; make a ritual of stripping the dinner table of all cloths and decorations after dinner.

### **Good Friday:**

Pray the Stations of the Cross at 3 p.m.

### **Holy Saturday:**

In the morning, read Psalm 64 and break your Good Friday fast solemnly with a simple meal.

### **Easter Sunday:**

Dress up the dinner table again. Include candles and crosses, so that the candy baskets aren't the only festive items present. Sing Alleluia and read the Easter Gospel (Matthew 28:1-10) with solemnity and joy.

*Look online for other suggestions for celebrating Holy Week at home, to deepen and enrich your experience at this time of social isolation.*

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### THE CROSS

We should glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered.  
—Entrance Antiphon, Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, *The Roman Missal*